

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 remain in the application. Claims 1-26 have been rejected. Claims 1, 10, and 18-22 have been amended. Applicant requests reconsideration of the rejections in view of the amendments and the following remarks.

CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 USC §101

The Office Action rejected claims 18-21 under 35 USC 101 because they lack the proper preamble necessary for a statutory computer program product claim. Accordingly, claims 18-21 have been amended.

CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102

The Office Action rejected claims 1-26 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Sano (US 7167679).

Independent claims 1, 10, 18, and 22 are not anticipated by Sano because Sano does not teach or suggest the claimed element of “transmitting directions to a user of the wireless unit, the directions including information directing the user of the wireless unit to move the wireless unit to the target position for improved reception.”

Sano teaches an improved display terminal for a radio LAN system. Sano's display terminal is limited to reporting on reception quality, **not** directing a user to improved reception quality: "the display terminal 30 may display a reception quality level" [Sano, Col. 8, lines 2-3]

With Sano's system, a user must initially locate a target location with good reception. "The user may first look at the display to confirm that the electric field intensity is higher than a predetermined level, and then may proceed with the desired communication." [Sano, Col. 1, lines 61-64] This is in contrast to the claimed subject matter wherein the user does not need to locate the target location; in fact, the user does not even need to know his or her current location.

Sano's teaching of moving the display terminal to a target location where reception is better (as reported on the display) is analogous to a caller moving from place to place, saying "Can you hear me now?" in the cellular service commercial. Sano falls far short of actually calculating the target location and providing the user with directions to that target location. "Thus, the user may look at the display of the reception quality level and move display terminal 30 to a location at which the bar graph G is sufficiently long and the numerical value N is sufficiently high, indicating a high quality data reception. Thus, the user can quickly and with certainty determine a location at which the multi-pass interference is low and the reception quality level is high." [Sano, Col. 10, lines 8-14]

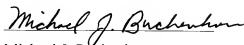
Sano cannot be an anticipatory reference because Sano does not teach all of the claim elements of independent claims 1, 10, 18, and 22. Therefore, their rejection should be withdrawn.

Dependent claims 2-9, 11-17, 19-21 and 23-26 are not anticipated by Sano by virtue of

their dependent on their respective parent claims.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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